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Honorable Felix J. Boudreaux
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Re: 9,750' Sand, Reservoir A
Main Pass Block 24 Field
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Boudreaux:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **AMERADA HESS CORPORATION** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the establishment of rules and regulations and the creation of a single drilling and production unit for the 9,750' Sand, Reservoir A, in the Main Pass Block 24 Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, such unit to be designated 9750 RA SUA:

1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the 9,750' Sand, Reservoir A, in the Main Pass Block 24 Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, such unit to be designated 9750 RA SUA.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To designate Amerada Hess Corporation as operator of the unit created herein.

4. To designate the Amerada Hess Corporation -- S.L. 16406 No. 1 Well as unit well for the proposed unit, at the location shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof.
5. To recognize that the 9,750' Sand, Reservoir A, in the Main Pass Block 24 Field, Offshore Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, whose limits are shown on the attached plat, is a new discovery pursuant to LSA-R.S. 47:648.1 – 648.4, as amended.
6. To recognize that the Amerada Hess Corporation (formerly LLOG) -- S.L. 16406 No. 1 Well (Serial No. 223250), located as shown on the attached plat, is a new discovery well for the 9,750' Sand, Reservoir A, pursuant to LSA-R.S. 47:648.1 – 648.4, as amended.
7. To provide that any future wells drilled to the 9,750' Sand, Reservoir A, in the Main Pass Block 24 Field, be located in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
8. To permit the applicant to designate and utilize its S.L. 16406 No. 2 Well as alternate unit well for the proposed unit, located as shown on the attached plat.
9. To recognize that the proposed unit and alternate unit wells are necessary to efficiently and economically drain the subject reservoir.
10. To permit the operator to produce the unit allowable from the proposed unit well, the proposed alternate unit well, or both, at the discretion of the operator.
11. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the 9,750' Sand, Reservoir A, in the Main Pass Block 24 Field, created herein by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
12. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The 9,750' Sand, Reservoir A, in the Main Pass Block 24 Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 9,801 feet and 9,967 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Amerada Hess Corporation – S.L. No. 16406 No. 1 (ST) Well, located in Offshore Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, pre-application notice was given; however, no request for the conference was received. Therefore, the conference tentatively scheduled for Thursday, April 25, 2002, WILL NOT BE HELD.

Pertinent data, including well logs, may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from Louis Gilbert & Associates, 3636 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana, 70002-7216, Telephone Number (504) 834-8112.

April 15, 2002

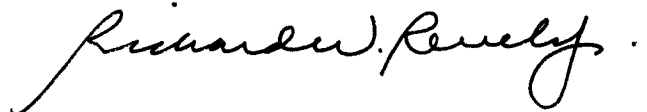
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Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the applicant's unit proposal and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such plat (being the same plat attached to the notice dated April 2, 2002) and list of parties are being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the plat and/or list of parties will be furnished to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check on behalf of the applicant, in the amount of \$700.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,



Richard W. Revels, Jr.

RWRjr/dbf
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson
Office of Conservation
Post Office Box 51285
Lafayette, Louisiana 70505

cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties
And Interested Parties

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MAIN PASS AREA

LLOG EXPL.
S.L. 16406

POGO
S.L. 9811

Y=330,000

STATE LEASE 16406

STATE LEASE 16592

AMERADA
(LLOG EXPL.)
S.L. 16406

9750' RA SU A
S.L. 16406 No. 1 S.T.
S.L. 16406 No. 2 S.T. ALT.
+/- 409 Acres

BLOCK 24

GULF
S.L. 2410

NOTE: ALL BOUNDARIES
ARE GEOGRAPHIC.



CALIFORNIA
SL 2410

EXHIBIT No.

DOCKET No.

AMERADA HESS CORPORATION
U.S. ONSHORE EXPLORATION

MAIN PASS BLOCK 24 FIELD
PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LOUISIANA

Proposed Unit

9,750' Sand, Reservoir A

Date:

0' 1000' 2000' 3000'

Geology: LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.

○ - UNIT WELL

▲ - ALTERNATE UNIT WELL

--- - PROPOSED UNIT

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X=2,600,000